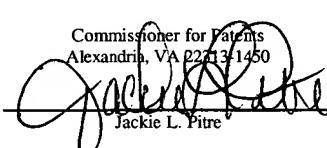


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§ Art Unit: 3672  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

(under 37 CFR § 1.114)

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of application number 09/841,194, filed on April 24, 2001, entitled IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A COAL FORMATION TO CONVERT A SELECTED TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON CONTENT INTO HYDROCARBON PRODUCTS.

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Assignee: Shell Oil Company	Recorded at: Reel 012233, Frame 0424
Correspondence Address in Prior Application: Del Christensen Shell Oil Company P.O. Box 2463 Houston, Texas 77252-2463	

**Application Elements**

1.  Filing Fee

A Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit for the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.

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2.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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3. Amendments

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An amendment is enclosed.

Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Please consider the arguments in the response filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

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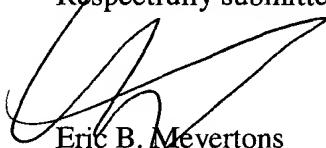
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5.  Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time
6.  Return Receipt Postcard

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5659-06100/EBM.

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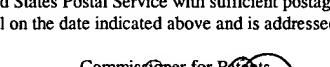
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**TOTAL AMOUNT:** \$750.00

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzl, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-06100/EBM.

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